



The Harper Woods School District

August 1, 2014

Dear Reader:

I am pleased to write a letter of recommendation on behalf of Blaise Badynee. While I worked with Blaise, she served in the position of kindergarten through sixth grade Spanish teacher for the American International Academy located in Westland, Michigan. In addition to her role as a teacher, she volunteered her time to organize and lead our school's dance team.

The student demographics where Blaise taught consisted of 100% Black-African American with over 90% of the student population qualifying for free or reduced-price lunch. I mention this information to you because Blaise works very diligently to make a difference in lives of underserved inner-city students.

Blaise quickly became an integral part of the team making a positive educational impact with students. Along with her teaching responsibility, she participated in the after-school committee Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity (SEED). Her positive attitude is infectious as she fosters high expectations and professionalism for students and staff.

Blaise can be described as open-minded and flexible with the tasks and assignments presented to her. She demonstrates genuine caring and respect for individual students. She is genuinely liked and cared about by students and school family members.

As an administrator, I seek out positive, intelligent people who have a passion for making a difference in the lives of students. Blaise certainly demonstrates these qualities.

I can see a continued bright future in the educational field for Blaise and wish her continued years of growth and service to the educational community.

Yours in education,
Justin Malburg
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